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On May 4, the Ambassador delivered reftel demarche to Deputy Foreign Minister Muhi al-Deen al-Dhabi. After checking with the Ministry of Finance, al-Dhabi reported that Yemen has voted in the affirmative on Kosovo's entrance into the IMF. EconOff delivered reftel demarche to Abdul-Ghani al-Magtari, the Director of the Office of International Organizations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Al-Magtari accepted the points about recognizing Kosovo, and agreed to convey them to the appropriate ROYG officials. While he did not have information on Yemen's support for Kosovo's membership in the IMF or World Bank, he indicated that Yemen is not prepared to recognize Kosovo at this time. (COMMENT: While Yemen is prepared to recognize Kosovo in a multilateral context such as the IMF and World Bank, it is not prepared to establish bilateral ties with the country at this time, according to al-Dhabi. END COMMENT.)
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